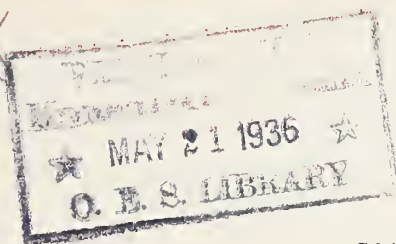


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## COAT CLOSETS

Most farm families need at least two coat closets, one for storing the coats and hats worn to town, to school or to the neighbors', and the other for the farm work clothes.

The first closet may well be near the front door where it can be reached conveniently the first thing coming in and the last thing going out. Such a closet is a big help in teaching children orderly ways and in keeping the rooms orderly. If the shelf for the hats has a front that drops, they would be better-protected from dust.

The second closet, for work clothes, which are likely to be soiled, should be near the back or side entrance most used by the men as they come and go to work. It should be well ventilated. Quite commonly the overalls, rough coats and sweaters, and heavy boots and shoes are hung on the back porch where changes must be made. This is neither comfortable nor sightly. An indoor closet, possibly fitted up as a washroom, is much more satisfactory. For boots and shoes there may be racks to keep them off the floor, or a ventilated chest.

Where there are several children it may be possible to give them a closet entirely to themselves, with low hooks and a rod for garment hangers set where they can easily reach it. Children also need shelves for caps, gloves, and overshoes, and a drawer or bin for such outdoor play equipment as skates, baseballs, and bats.

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